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Isolated Storms  
High: 91, Low: 68

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Scattered Storms  
High: 78, Low: 58

Bowling Green's windpower to increase sevenfold



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**NATURAL POWER:** The state's only utility-size wind farm becomes larger.

# THE WINDS OF CHANGE

By Laura Simmons  
Reporter

The four giant windmills just outside of Bowling Green might be in for some company.

In conjunction with JW Great Lakes Wind and American Municipal Power-Ohio, a joint-action group for municipal utilities, the city is investigating the idea of adding onto the state's only utility-size wind farm.

The current facility, near the Wood County landfill, creates about 7.2 megawatts of clean energy—enough to power 1,560 homes.

The proposed new facility would dwarf that amount, creating nearly seven times the power,

Kevin Maynard, director of city utilities said.

"We're actually investigating up to 50 megawatts of electricity in the Bowling Green area," he said. "But the emphasis should be that we're investigating it."

One of several designs the group is researching would include 33 wind turbines, producing about 1.5 megawatts of power each.

"Our electricity needs increase as city grows, as the University grows, as industry grows. How do we answer that growth with renewable resources?" Maynard asked. "We build or we buy."

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JORDAN FLOWER | THE BG NEWS

**CREATION FROM DESTRUCTION:** Wolfe Center for the Arts to replace Saddlemire.

# Deconstructing Saddlemire

By Alison Kemp  
Assistant Campus Editor

"Theoretically, it is still here. Parts of it are at least."

Crashing, scraping and dust flying through the air are the tell-tale signs that construction is happening on campus.

From the outskirts of campus, you really can't tell the round building built like a slide projector that all of us have a love or hate relationship with is no longer with us.

Theoretically, it is still here. Parts of it are, at least, even though it is no longer on the online campus map. Its parts have been gutted and are sitting in a pile on the east side of the building, and the third floor has fallen.

Saddlemire was built with asbestos, a particle found in building materials that is harmful to humans, so the building had to come down.

It is also built on prime campus land, land that will be used to build the Wolfe Center for the Arts, which is how the circle that used to be Saddlemire is now identified on the campus map.

"I hope that students don't look at [Saddlemire] as a distraction," said Bob Waddle, assistant vice president of capital planning.

He said he really wishes Saddlemire was entirely torn down before the freshmen returned to campus, but because more asbestos was found in the

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# New finance chair appointed

Financial officer 'well-prepared' for responsibilities

By Gina Potthoff  
Reporter

The University chose experience when Sherideen Stoll was appointed as the new chief financial officer.

Effective June 1, Stoll replaced Christopher Dalton, who retired from the position after 20 years as senior vice president of finance and administration.

"It is a little bit intimidating," Stoll said.

Though Stoll knows she has big shoes to fill, she does have an impressive background working with finances.

For the past three years, Stoll has worked as the vice president of administration and finance at Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine in Rootsville. Before that, she worked for over nine years at Kent State, working her way up to executive director of financial affairs.

"She's well-prepared, knows the state of Ohio well and has been [in] this [position] elsewhere," said Linda Dobb, executive vice president.

Dobb said Stoll will be wonderful in the position, just as



**Sherideen Stoll**  
Is working on the \$3 million deficit of the University's operations budget.

Dalton was.

Stoll's responsibilities include working with the provost, managing budgets and meeting with other division heads and the president.

Dobb guessed there are over 100 major budgets and many other sub budgets that Stoll will have to work with.

Currently, Stoll is working on the University operations budget, which has a deficit of \$3 million.

She is collaborating with the provost on capital planning and on possible renovations to academic buildings on campus. The rain this past week has also brought up issues about leaking roofs and storm drains that need to be fixed.

Stoll will also be working with Sharon Swartz, director of financial reporting and analy-

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# CR Music Exchange makes way for C.B.C.B.'s

By Alexandria Clark  
Reporter



**Conell Benton**  
Owner of  
C.B.C.B.'s Apparel  
Company.

College students can head straight to Wooster Street to get name-brand clothes, shoes and jewelry that fit their punk rock or hip hop style without traveling up I-75 to go to the Toledo malls.

C.B.C.B.'s Apparel Co. had its grand opening last Friday, in which it stayed opened to 1 a.m. with people buying everything from casual dresses to retro outfits after filling in the space of the former CR Music Exchange store.

This is not an average clothing store — it has its own flavor, combining New York City's fashion style with local artists' talent.

Owner Conell Benton has worked on the clothing line Sean John and was the shop manager in the Manhattan and Brooklyn locations at Macy's for a year.

Benton was also a field representative for the clothing line Phat Farm in the Manhattan, Brooklyn and New Jersey areas, and later became the field representative for the Midwest in areas such as Ohio, Michigan and Indiana.

"Being in the environment inspired me to go out and work hard to get my own store because I want to be a trendsetter," Benton said.

Two years ago he had the idea of having his own store with retro and vintage clothing.

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RACHEL RADWANSKI | THE BG NEWS

**NEW FLAVOR:** Clothing store combines New York City's fashion style with local artists' talent.



## BUILDING

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building, deconstruction was delayed.

The demolition process — which Waddle called fascinating — should be complete in early to mid-September, Waddle said.

Designs for the Wolfe Center still need to be completed. The Collaborative Inc., from Toledo, was selected to be the architect of record for the project. Snohetta, an architecture firm with offices in New York City and Oslo and designers of a library in Alexandria, Egypt, the opera house in Oslo and the World Trade Center Cultural Center in New York City, was selected to design the Wolfe Center.

From Katerina Ray's office window in the Fine Arts Center, the director of the school of art has been able to watch Saddlemere be taken apart.

She said she was fond of Saddlemere, but in its current state she said it looks like "a

bionic mushroom."

But Ray is willing to deal with a strange-looking project outside her window.

"It's making way for something that will be very beautiful," she said.

The Wolfe Center, which was made possible by \$8.75 million from the state, \$1.5 million from Fritz and Mary Wolfe and \$750,000 from Kate and Thomas Donnell, will house the department of theater and film, have two theaters, classrooms, offices and all the rooms necessary for producing a theatrical production.

Thus far, \$2.5 million has been raised for the project from private funding, which is part of the Building Dreams campaign at the University, said Marcia Latta, senior associate vice president of university advancement.

By relocating the department of theater and film, all the arts will be much closer to each other and provide more opportunities for collaboration.

## "Students who come to Bowling Green will have the best training and learning experiences possible [because of the Wolfe Center]."

Richard Kennell | Dean of Musical Arts

"It's a physical space in alignment with our potential," said Ron Shields, the chair of the department of theater and film. "Students who come to Bowling Green will have the best training and learning experiences possible [because of the Wolfe Center]," said Richard Kennell, dean of the College of Musical Arts.

Shields said he had been hearing about a new facility for theater and film for 20 years.

The larger of the two theaters in the Wolfe Center will be named after the Donnells. The other theater will be called the Actor's Theater, which will have a flexible stage. More space will allow more performance

opportunities, and the Eva Marie Saint and Joe E. Brown theaters will still be used.

Shields' students will now be able to learn with state-of-the-art equipment.

"It will get us up to speed," he said.

The University's opera productions will also be able to improve with the new facilities, too. The Kate and Thomas Donnell Theater will have a fly system for sets, a feature that Kobacker Hall in the Moore Musical Arts building lacks.

"Kobacker is not a theatrical facility," Kennell said.

The music program is not the only program that will be expanding with theater and

film.

There will be spaces in the Wolfe Center for digital and graphic arts.

"It will say to northwest Ohio, 'We believe in the fine arts,'" Ray said.

All of this construction meant nearly all of the offices in Saddlemere were relocated to Conklin North.

The move was organized and "better than anyone expected," said Nick Hennessy, the associate director of residence life.

Hennessy had worked only in Saddlemere since he began his tenure at the University, starting as a graduate student in a doctoral program.

"My office is now smashed together between two pieces of concrete," he said.

The new offices in Conklin are in dorm rooms, so the rooms are smaller and the closets and dressers are used for additional storage space. And all the rooms are the same size.

"It's not round, but it's nice," Hennessy said.

## C.B.C.B.'S

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"I had the opportunity and the time was just right for me to get a store in a college town," he said. "Also, I have a huge passion for college towns because there is new, young and undiscovered talent in these kinds of towns."

C.B.C.B.'s Apparel Co. is not just bringing a new sense of flavor for clothes, but is also fulfilling the goal of Earlene Kilpatrick, director of Main Street BG, by giving people the opportunity to shop locally.

"We always encourage people to shop locally and dine locally because we take pride in recruiting what the consumers want," Kilpatrick said. "And we are excited about their product line and their entrepreneurial spirit."

Benton has unique products in his store ranging from clothing to handmade jewelry.

"I travel all over, such as the east coast and unique shops in Columbus to get different

clothing pieces to add to the store," he said.

Clothing brands in the store include True Religion, Diesel, Seven and Baby Phat; shoe brands include BCBG, Jessica Simpson, JLo, Coach, Guess and Adidas; and purse brands include Dooney and Burke and Coach.

"The store is multicultural, a trend-setter, like Kanye West and Andre 3000 or Fergie and Gwen Stefani, how they mix chic with old school and make it their style," Benton said.

One consumer, Elona Wameyo, said she is impressed with the variety and quality of the store.

"When I stopped in last week I was amazed because I have different styles, all depending on my mood and the store offers all my styles I like, and now I don't have to wait to go home and shop anymore," Wameyo said. "It has the unique jewelry I like because it's original and stylish shoes that wrap around your ankles."

But Benton is trying to give a chance for others in the community, such as artists and

models, to have an outlet in his store.

"It is so many people who have talent but don't have an outlet, so I am giving them a chance to have their items in my store," he said. "My goal for the store is to maintain originality and connecting with the community because it is a way for me to give back; I just have always had a heart for humanity."

In the store are paintings, photographs and jewelry made by city locals.

One piece of artwork, in the middle of the store, was given to Benton by the owner of Madhatter, the former music store across the street from C.B.C.B.'s Apparel Co.

"I wanted to buy some things from them before they closed, but he was sold out, but he still had old posters left and I wanted to buy it from him because that store was like a staple of the community," Connell said. "I just wanted to keep some of what the store offered to the community alive, so he gave me some artwork."

Also, in the store is a hand-



VINTAGE JEWELRY: The new store on Wooster St. has many items to browse.

made wooden table made by a local artist named Dinu. Dinu's dad taught him the craft, but died a year ago and he just stopped designing.

"I heard about his talent and he is a pretty cool guy and told me he would make a table for me, after not picking up wood in a year," he said. "So we will be having more of his work featured in the store, especially when the Black Swamp Arts Festival comes."

Another unique characteristic about the store is its open Monday through Sunday from 11:30 a.m. until people stop coming.

"The latest we have stayed opened is like 1 a.m.," he said. "I remember a girl knocked on the door to come in around 1 a.m. because she needed a dress, and I let her in and when she left the store, she had the dress on and her outfit she wore into the store in the bag."

Benton plans to have a couch with an espresso machine and wireless Internet so people can just come into the store, sit down and talk.

And at 9:30 p.m. on Sept. 15 at Howards, C.B.C.B.'s Apparel Co. will have a "Welcome to BG" event, along with a concert featuring Chavar Dontae.

## BLOTTER WEDNESDAY

9:06 A.M.

A red and black line was spray painted overnight around an apartment building on Second Street.

9:27 A.M.

Another apartment building on Fourth Street gets a red and black line spray painted around it overnight.

1:31 P.M.

Someone entered an unlocked car overnight on Clough Street and took \$2 in change.

1:55 P.M.

Someone threw a concrete block through the back window of a car parked on Manville Avenue, causing \$250 worth of damage.

2:13 P.M.

A car was vandalized overnight on Second Street. The driver's side was scratched and the wiper blades and rear spoiler were stolen, causing about \$500 worth of damage.

2:31 P.M.

A Wal-Mart employee was stealing from her cash register. Management reported the employee had stolen \$230 over five documented occasions.

4:22 P.M.

A purse was stolen from a car parked on South Main Street.

11:11 P.M.

Nicholas G. Jenkins, 19, of Toledo, was cited for disorderly conduct for knocking over trash cans along Wooster Street and University Lane.

## THURSDAY

12:53 A.M.

Wesley Brad Winters, 37, of Bowling Green, was warned for criminal trespassing for sleeping in the waiting room of the intensive care unit at the Wood County Hospital.

1:45 A.M.

Javan B. Hillard, 25, and Brett A. Tschernie, 22, both of Bowling Green, were arrested for fighting at a bar on East Wooster Street.

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# Community perks

By Amanda Gilles  
Reporter

At the University there are numerous places for students to live, from apartments to houses to dorms. But another residence option is the learning communities.

An on-campus learning community is a place for students who share a similar interest to live. Interests such as foreign cultures, art or even academics are associated with the University's 13 learning communities.

For an additional fee per

semester the student may live in these specified communities and take classes with professors whose offices and classrooms are often within the building.

For those who are ambitious learners and seek an academic challenge, there is the Chapman Community, located in Kohl Hall. This community consists of about 200 first-year students and a leadership team of upper classmen. The Chapman Community has four classrooms, 18 faculty offices and even a music practice room.

In addition to an academic passion, the community offers several co-curricular activities, ranging from guest speakers to out-of-state trips. Canoeing and wall climbing, as well as trips to Cincinnati, New York and Chicago, have been a few of the benefits of living in this community.

Not to mention, the students get to choose from a range of 10 service projects, including art at the local homeless shelter, where not only do the students reach out to those in need, but "they also learn the nature of art," said W. Robert Midden, associate professor of the Chapman Learning Community.

For those who like to step outside of the academic box, this particular learning community is focusing on investigating factory farms.

"This is currently one of the most controversial issues in the community," Midden said. "In particular, the water quality in the area."

However, the Chapman Community is one of the most expensive, costing an additional \$275 per semester. But due to low enrollment, the extra costs cover the wide ranges of transportation, food, guest speakers and community trips out of town — all of this being provided at a discount through the community fees.

But for those students who want to live abroad in Spain without leaving the University, they can now experience the Spanish culture right here on campus in the La Comunidad Community, located in the J unit of Conklin. In this community, students are encouraged to study the Spanish language and Spanish-speaking cultures 24 hours a day.

"As the number of Latino students on campus increases, La Comunidad offers an area where they can meet, practice their Spanish and celebrate their cultural heritage," said Joshua Evans, faculty adviser.

A perk to the La Comunidad Community is the extra living fee is only \$50 and all activities are free and open to the entire student body. La Comunidad plans to have movie nights,

## Living and Learning

### CHAPMAN COMMUNITY

**Location:** Kohl Hall  
**Extra Fees:** \$275  
**Focus:** Academic ambitions  
**Contact:** W. Robert Midden at chapmancom@bgsu.edu

### LA COMUNIDAD

**Location:** Conklin, Unit J  
**Extra Fees:** \$50  
**Focus:** Spanish language and culture  
**Contact:** Faculty Advisor Joshua Evans at joshube@bgsu.edu

### ARTS VILLAGE COMMUNITY

**Location:** Compton in the Kreischer Quad  
**Extra Fees:** \$150  
**Focus:** Desire and interest in the arts  
**Contact:** Arts Village Director Gordon Ricketts at gordonr@bgsu.edu

game nights and cooking nights throughout the semester — all in Spanish, of course.

To join the community, residents do not have to live in the dorm, but are required to have taken Spanish 102 or an academic equivalent. Another requirement for La Comunidad is that residents are expected

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## Off the wall climbing

**ROCK CLIMBING:** Landon Evans scrambles up the rock wall at the Rec Center while being belayed by Nathan Gates. The outdoor programs has been offering free climbing at the rec center for freshman welcome.

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What's your dream version of a peanut butter and jelly sandwich?



"Rye bread, smooth peanut butter and probably blackberry jam."  
**KAITLIN SCHMIDT**, Senior, Early Childhood Education



"Handmade Italian bread, natural peanut butter — creamy — and black currant jelly."  
**ROSS RASHKOV**, Graduate Student, Business



"With bananas."  
**SASHWELL FOWLER**, Freshman, Pre-pharmacy



"Jamaican hardough bread, with Jamaican guava jelly and Jamaican peanut butter."  
**TREVOR NASH**, Junior, Journalism

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Even 'Not News' has serious implications

Last Saturday when I dropped my daughter off at the University, I picked up a copy of The BG News.

In the "Not News" section there was an article titled "Top 10 things to do this weekend," with an emphasis on getting drunk and ending up going to hospital for a stomach pump. I am told this is satirical humor, but personally I did not find it funny.

I may be more sensitive to this humor after a drunken driver mangled my sister-in-laws' leg in a car accident or after my friends lost their son in a horrific 100 mph crash due to him being drunk. Or it could be growing up with an alcoholic father, uncles and my own three brothers.

Being a drinker or growing up with a drunk(s) is not humorous at all and can affect your life/relationships for years to come.

I know most students have had their own programs in high school about drinking/drugs, but if I could touch even one life about the dangers of addictions and being drunk, I can handle the embarrassment my daughter will have seeing me write this.

Addictions can be slow and insidious, and with one mistake can destroy yours or someone else's future, take a life or even destroy relationships. Even if you were personally affected by someone else's addictions, there is help out there for you.

Years ago I learned that you need to educate yourself and get help. I understand the person that wrote this article is young and may not have expe-

rienced any of these things, but they should be responsible with what they write to thousands of students.

I hope that no one ended up in the emergency room this past weekend. My advice to all of you young students is that if you are going to drink, do it responsibly when you turn 21.

Jeri Alden,  
Canton, Ohio

### No, BGeX can't help with retention all by itself

Brian Kutzley's Aug. 21 column, "BGeX is useful, but freshmen need more to keep them here," is right on target.

While BGeXperience may be the most prominent program involving incoming students, it is hardly the only one. Retention is a concern for all University programs, but it is misleading to suggest that it is a primary function or goal of BGeX, even though it's to the entire University community.

The BGeX Introduction weekend is designed to ease the transition to college for incoming freshmen, but also to begin the sometimes difficult process of developing their capacity to think critically about values. Through its first-year "V" courses, BGeX makes critical thinking about values in a wide range of subjects available to incoming students.

I readily concur with Kutzley's assessment that BGeX cannot achieve the development of individual and social responsibility in our students alone. It might also be added that this cannot be accomplished through coursework alone, either. He is on target in stressing the impor-

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tance for students to develop an independent sense of responsibility for their education and life. Getting involved is one way to explore who you are, what you truly value and believe in, and to put your professed values into action.

Brian's appeal is exactly what I, as the director of BGeX, advocates. Student leadership is a critically important dimension through which the vision of BGeX will be realized. (Brian is, I'm proud to say, a BGeX peer facilitator, whose column represents his independent leadership.)

Bravo, Brian! I hope your appeal to students is taken to heart since BGeX is less about retention than it is about challenging students to become responsible, critically thinking and engaged adults. Unlike football, there are no sidelines in the game of life. College life, too, is not a sport for spectators.

George Agich  
Director, BGeXperience

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## When professors' words mean more than they think



**CHAD PUTERBAUGH**  
COLUMNIST

Recently I've been giving a lot of thought to the roles that professors do, and should, play in the lives of students. Professors, at least as far as I have gathered, get paid in exchange for teaching students particular courses.

This is a relatively simplified version of the contract, but essentially, that is how it is supposed to work, right? Recently I've been questioning this.

The process of learning is far more complex than simple "knowledge transfer." There is no way in which knowledge can be housed by someone, then beamed into someone else's head. Because we've not yet discovered such technology, educators and students must rely on a system of lecturing

and textbooks, as well as various motivation techniques to ensure that students will eventually be competent regarding some topic or another.

These techniques have been employed for years to try to aid students on their quest for knowledge, but what often is not discussed is the inherent subjectivity in the process.

Myth: Professors are caches of pure knowledge.

Indeed, while we may prefer to think that what we are exposed to in the classroom is "pure" knowledge, having a few university classes shows us that this is not the case. Lecturing and teaching are both human endeavors, and subject to appropriate subjectivity. For instance, lectures, much like conversation, are often stimuli for a professor's anecdotes, jokes and, sometimes, political comments.

The last point has been a focus of my recent thoughts, and is something I would like to

talk about.

Now, I make no attempts to hide my political preferences, nor do I advocate them outright. And, while I look on with mild amusement when someone makes a comment about President Bush (partially because it takes little effort to do such), I do have serious concerns for what they may do to someone's classroom experience.

Particularly my concern is two-fold: a. the power relationships involved, and b. the potential to "turn off" an engaged student in the classroom.

As I mentioned earlier, it is very easy to make a crack about Bush. Anyone with the smallest bit of political awareness can pick out maybe one or two things monthly to poke fun at. What it essentially boils down to is that the skill is not very impressive. However, while it

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## Still no need for pit bull criticism



**NICK HARVEY**  
COLUMNIST

Pit bulls aren't getting any love these days.

Definitely not from Michael Vick.

An article from MSNBC.com says Vick's co-defendants claim he was deeply involved in dog fighting. They go on to say he executed "at least eight dogs that didn't do well in test fights by various methods, including hanging and drowning."

This nasty, high-profile dog fighting case does not help the pit bull's public image. The Humane Society of the United States says they are the most common breed of dog used for dog fighting.

But everyone already knows that. Pit bulls make the news

all the time when police bust up dog-fighting rings.

They make the news again when they show aggression like they were taught to.

This is the reason pit bulls don't get any love from the Lucas County Dog Warden, either.

An article from earlier this month on ToledoBlade.com reports that as of the month of July, 790 pit bulls have been confiscated in Lucas County alone and an estimated 60 percent of them have been destroyed.

Saved from the clutches of despicable dog fighters so they can be killed humanely. Out of the frying pan and into the fire.

This negative attention in the news leads to pit bulls getting no love from the Ohio Supreme Court.

On Aug. 1, the Ohio Supreme Court ruled that Toledo and Ohio laws singling out pit bulls as "vicious animals" is consti-

tutional.

Toledo law states that pit bull owners must lock up the dog at all times and muzzle it if it leaves the property.

Welcome to your new home, here is your muzzle and cage. What a friendly atmosphere to be raised in.

Owners are also required to have at least a \$100,000 liability insurance plan in case their dog attacks someone.

I can understand car, life, health, homeowner's, hurricane, flood, fire and earthquake insurance, but dog insurance is borderline insane. If pit bulls were really vicious enough to warrant a required insurance plan, they would be illegal to own altogether.

Any dog can bite someone if treated poorly. The issue here is not the dog, but the way in which the dog is treated. If

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## Wikipedia's dangers

ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH | MCT

"Wikipedia is the best thing ever. Anyone in the world can write anything they want about any subject, so you know you're getting the best possible information."

So proclaimed Michael Scott, the hopelessly clueless boss played by Steve Carrell, in an

episode of "The Office" that NBC re-ran last Thursday. As it happened, three days later, The New York Times revealed some of the problems that have occurred with Wikipedia when anybody in the world can write anything he wants about any subject.

For those who came late to the revolution, Wikipedia is a

free online encyclopedia offering what's known as "open source" material. That means you not only can look stuff up, but you also can change what other people have written and add your own entries. Founded just six years ago by a former futures trader named Jimmy

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## The sex didn't sell, but the effort was disturbing enough

GRANT PARDEE | GUEST COLUMNIST

This past weekend, I had the opportunity to witness one of the more profound (and depressing) examples of women being objectified, and of women objectifying themselves.

I happened to be working across the street from a car dealership where a high school girls track team was offering car washes for monetary donations.

The girls, who could not have been any older than 15, promoted their venture through the usual means: holding up signs, waving at cars, dancing around a little. Obviously, none of this is out of the ordinary.

Unfortunately, the girls were

not receiving much business. I'm not sure why. It was a warm, sunny Saturday afternoon — the perfect time to have your car cleaned. Plus, since it was a donation drive, you can pay as much (or as little) as you like.

Nevertheless, zero cars volunteered for the car wash from the girls.

Soon, their advertising techniques became more desperate. What had begun as harmlessly waving at cars quickly devolved into rampant, awkward obscenity.

Visibly frustrated by their failure, the girls began adding a little sex into their routine. It began with a little butt shaking and slapping toward the ongo-

"Consider it a trickle-down effect of a world with Paris Hilton; a culture that promotes the idea of a girl's worth coming from her appearance."

ing traffic. Then they would go to a stop sign and try pole dancing. At one point, they used a foam noodle (the kind used in swimming pools) to act as a mock penis on one girl while another stroked it. One girl even briefly flashed a few cars.

Traffic would come and the girls would perform their show; traffic would go and the girls would stand around looking

dejected. The cycle kept repeating. If it weren't so sad, it might have been comical.

I began to notice that even for their donation drive car wash, there was a certain hierarchy. There was a definite "A" team and a "B" team and it wasn't difficult to tell them apart because they separated themselves onto different parts of the lot.

The "B" team was comprised

of the slightly bigger girls [the ones that might do shot put]. These were the girls who lacked creativity and mainly just shouted "car wash! CAR wash! CAR WASH!", like a baby in the corner, at the vehicles zipping by.

The "A" team had the girls who were a little more willing to actively degrade themselves. These were the aforementioned young ladies who were putting on nothing short of a junior Vegas show.

Yet it was the "A" team that seemed to be more popular. Not only did more passing-by cars honk at them (which assumedly would be a sign of approval), but the "B" team would occasionally glance over and try

to copy a move or two before resuming their regular routine of whiny yelling.

The track coach — who, from what I could tell, was their only supervision — seemed to condone the depravity. In fact, he seemed the most frustrated by the lack of car washings. Every now and again he would go up to the girls and scold them.

Being across the street, I could not hear what he was saying, but I do know that every time he left, the odd strip show only worsened. I can only imagine he was yelling, "We need to fill the jar full of quarters by five!

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## CHAD

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may not be impressive, coming from the right source, it may be very impressive.

Impressive in the sense that it leaves an impression. Regardless of personal disbelief, pro athletes, celebrities and professors all leave big impressions on others. Reading stories about Olympians taking steroids, or seeing movie stars smoke are things that have very real effects on those watching.

Similarly, professors possess very real persuasive power over their students. Whether by tossing in a political jab here or there, or neglecting to cite sources on a regular basis, what may be a very weak logical argument can quickly turn into a very convincing argument, simply because of the power involved.

Perhaps people in the marketing department can help me figure out why, but people seem to associate positions of power with being "correct." It's really a neat phenomenon.

An alternative effect regarding wise cracks and political comments is the students that may not be as willing to participate knowing a professor is actively pursuing a political agenda in class.

It works along the same lines as being insulted during an argument. Suppose I say to someone her haircut makes her look like a baboon, that her vocabulary is worse than John Madden's, and then proceed to argue that Social Security should not be privatized. This is not an argument that I would expect to win, even with a heavy amount of evidence.

## "The process of learning is far more complex than simple 'knowledge transfer.'"

Again, you may want to ask your friend in the marketing department why this is, but people do not seem to respond well to arguments after having been affronted by the arguer.

I am not suggesting that students are being irresponsible in doing this, nor that professors intend for jokes to come across as offensive, but rather that both of these behaviors are very human.

And so, I want to urge professors and students to pay very close attention to their interactions. Professors, be aware that you are in a position of power and influence. Things you say are likely to have more influence than you would think.

Similarly, students, don't let a professor get away with sophistry. If a professor says something that needs to be backed up by evidence, call him out on it. Also, for the sake of your education and your future as a human being, realize that an open mind and forgiveness will aid you more than it hurts you. Professors are human beings who make mistakes, have political preferences, egos and character flaws. Sometimes a joke need not be taken offensively, but can help you appreciate the flaws in all human endeavors.

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## HARVEY

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poodles were trained to fight and forced to wear muzzles, then every poodle would be labeled as vicious as well.

What does it take to be called "vicious" anyway?

The latest statistics from the National Safety Council from 2003 shed some light on how "vicious" dogs are.

Other common things killed more people than dogs did. Even if pit bulls were responsible for every fatal dog attack in 2003, more people died from things like pillows, ladders, bees and lightning than from dog attacks.

The report states that 497 people died in 2003 from accidental suffocation while in bed. Another 417 died by falling off a ladder. Bee, wasp and hornet stings killed 66 and lightning claimed 47 lives.

There were only 32 fatalities due to dog attacks.

That means it is over 15 times more likely to be killed by a pillow than a dog.

So why aren't pillows labeled as "vicious"?

Pillow fighting is more common than dog fighting. Instead of cages, pillows get put in cases. When they stop doing their job, they get thrown out.

Luckily, in Toledo, no insurance plan is required if someone spends the night and is suffocated by your pillow.

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## MONDAY IN FORUM

Tony Regalado and Jeff Smith.

## PARDEE

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Come on, ladies, show 'em what you got!"

I don't know if any cars actually stopped in or not. By the time my work shift had ended, the count was still zero, which I suppose is a good thing. It would be much creepier if tons of old trucks suddenly showed up hollering for an encore.

So what does all of this mean? Was this an isolated incident or an example of a larger trend? Consider it a trickle-down effect of a world with Paris Hilton; a culture that promotes the idea of a girl's worth coming from her appearance. The "A" team, more willing to show their body, received more attention than the other group. Encouraged by the attention, they continued to take the next step further.

For what? A little extra money to buy track shirts? Imagine if something more meaningful had actually been at stake.

I'm not oblivious to the idea that they were probably acting with a hint of irony and a wink in their eye, but at the same time, they were clearly trying to have it both ways. Sure, they may not be saying what you think they're saying — that they're willing to be sexualized in order to earn your money — but they're not saying the opposite either because they were using that sexuality (awkward though it was) to draw attention and thus money.

Regardless of what it meant, it was still the most uncomfortable part of my weekend.

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## LETTERS

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### More points to be made in examining textbooks

Your recent article, "Books on a budget," provided a good recap of the recent federal study on college textbooks, but a few points could be clarified.

First, publishers' income on new textbooks after taxes, print-

ing, binding, paper and other expenses is about 7 percent. Also, neither publishers nor authors receive any money from the sale of used books — bookstores and book wholesalers are the only ones that profit from these sales. Second, publishers understand college cost concerns, so they offer a wide variety of instructional materials from which faculty can choose, including many lower-cost print and digital course materials.

For instance, e-textbooks are a good option for students on a

budget. E-textbooks are offered at a discount because they do not require the same extensive printing and shipping costs, but still provide the same educational value.

Another perk of electronic versions is the positive environmental impact they can have by reducing waste. Third, publishers will continue to work with faculty and institutions to explore additional alternatives and new business models for the learning materials that students can use to be successful.

Finally, publishers are working to educate students and parents about college textbooks, as suggested in the recent federal study.

For more information, visit the Association of American Publishers' Web site at [www.textbookfacts.org](http://www.textbookfacts.org).

Stacy Scarazzo Skelly  
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## WIKI

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Wales, Wikipedia now dwarfs any other encyclopedia, with more than 5.3 million articles (nearly 2 million in English) written by 75,000 contributors in more than 100 languages.

Wikipedia is a fascinating experiment in what behavioral scientists call "the wisdom of the masses": Given a large enough and diverse enough group of people operating with the right kind of independence and autonomy, crowds make better decisions than individuals. The theory behind Wikipedia is that given enough time, biases will balance out,

errors will be caught and a form of collective truth will emerge.

The problem is that, by definition, Wikipedia is always a work in progress, and the question of who wrote what — and with what motive — has been difficult to determine. An editor at Encyclopaedia Britannica once compared it to a public toilet seat, in that you never know who used it last.

That has changed. Wired News reported last week that Virgil Griffith, a 24-year-old cognitive scientist at Santa Fe Institute in New Mexico, has created a Web site called wikiscanner. [virgil.gr](http://virgil.gr), that makes it much easier to trace changes made to Wikipedia text. The site cross-

references editing changes with the computer network on which the change originated. This is not particularly helpful if the change was made by an individual user on a large public network, but it looks like it could cut down on corporations using Wikipedia as a tool for image-molding, marketing and public relations.

For example, Wikiscanner revealed that last year, someone at PepsiCo, Inc., edited the Wikipedia entry on Pepsi-Cola, deleting paragraphs that claimed the cola was bad for consumers' health. Similarly, a change to the entry for Sea World amusement parks — substituting "killer whales" for "orcas" — was traced to

a computer in the network of Anheuser-Busch Inc., Sea World's parent company. Other companies that have edited Wikipedia entries include Wal-Mart, ExxonMobil and Diebold.

"The yield, in terms of public relations disasters, is about what I expected," Wikiscanner inventor Griffith told The Times. (The newspaper's own network was found to have been the source of unflattering edits in entries about President George W. Bush and Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice.)

Wales, the founder of Wikipedia, said changes were under consideration to put registered would-be editors on notice that their Internet protocol addresses were

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being recorded.

Our emotions about all this are mixed. We're in the business of offering opinions in a public forum, and our institution puts its name at the top of every page. But having spent our career at the mercy of vicious, tone-deaf being nurtured by careful, precise editors, we

know the pain of seeing well-wrought prose mangled into unreadable pap satisfaction that comes from collegial collaboration. Phooey on Hurrah for collective wisdom.

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## STOLL

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sis, to prepare for the upcoming annual independent audit, due in late October.

Swartz said Stoll's focus is to enhance reporting and analysis. She said she is looking forward to working with her more closely because she has extensive financial experience in higher education and is a creative person.

"She is eager to share her knowledge in the betterment of our financial operations," Swartz said. "We're both in agreement together, we will be able to implement very positive changes."

When Stoll finds free time away from financial responsibilities she enjoys running, walking, spending time with friends, traveling or reading a good book. The last book she read was "Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows."

Stoll said she thinks the University is already doing a lot of good things financially and hopes to add to that.

## WINDMILLS

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He likened the windmill project to buying versus renting a home.

"It's like owning or renting a home. Ownership for the long term is better," he said. "If we're not generating [electricity], then we need to buy it from someone else."

No price has yet been set for the possible project, though it would be paid for through revenue generated by utility rates, Maynard said, and not through taxes.

However, not everyone is thrilled by the idea of new turbines.

The sheer size of the would-be wind farm has some citizens living near the proposed site a little uneasy.

Ken Sperber, who's been living on Euler Road — which is within the proposed build site — since 1961, said he's not opposed to wind energy, he just doesn't want the windmills in

his backyard.

"There was a meeting of about 40 people on the road here [Monday] and we just don't think it's the proper place for windmills. There's just too many," Sperber said.

Maynard noted that nothing in the project is finalized, including the number and placement of the turbines, and more research needs to be done before it's determined whether or not it will come to fruition.

"I think there's been a lot of misinformation," he said. "Bottom line, if the community at large is opposed to them, I doubt it will happen — it'd probably just happen somewhere else."

Bryan Starry, director of project development for JW Great Lakes Wind, said an open meeting between his company, BG utilities, AMP-Ohio and the community, is planned for the beginning of September.

"Wind technology has been in the U.S. for 20 years, but a lot of people aren't familiar with the pieces that go into it," Starry said. "Nothing's written in stone

at this point."

The area of perspective development is about 10 minutes outside of town. On the north and east, it's bordered by state Route 6 and Mitchell Road, respectively, and extends to Portage Road in the south and Range Line Road in the west.

To help finance the project, the development would be co-owned by Bowling Green and a number of other interested cities and villages in the area that are members of AMP-Ohio.

The involved municipalities would then split the energy produced by the wind giants, Maynard explained.

However, that's caused another issue for residents living within the perspective area. Their energy isn't supplied through AMP-Ohio, meaning they wouldn't receive any of the energy the wind turbines produce.

Phil Titus, who lives in the area, said for him, it's an issue of fairness.

"The landscape would basically be ravaged and we wouldn't

even benefit from this. ... We don't get our power from AMP-Ohio, our power comes from Toledo Edison."

"I'm not sure what they want," Maynard said in response. "Do they want us to put up power lines out there? Do they not want the turbines? ... Surely they'd rather see those in their neighborhoods than the alternatives," he said, referring to coal fire and nuclear facilities, among others.

"I've heard a lot about what they don't want, I'd like to hear what they do want," Maynard continued. "We'll be glad to consider whatever they present."

The investigative period for the wind project is slated to continue through March 2008, according to AMP-Ohio, although both Maynard and Starry are hoping to "have a better handle on it" by the end of the year.

Travis Chapin, a 12-year Euler Road resident, said he's encouraged by the September meeting date and cautioned that many of the residents are simply anxious for more information.

## Average CO2 Emissions per Kilowatt-hour of CO2 Electricity Generated (in pounds)

Types of Fuel:

- Coal - 2.13
- Natural Gas - 1.03
- Oil - 1.56
- Wind - 0

Source: Energy Information Administration's Annual Energy Review 1998.

"It's just that uncertainty that's unsettling," he explained. "I don't think the problems are going to evaporate and disappear, but we're making great strides in working out many misunderstandings and differences. ... I think all parties are interested in dialogue moving forward."

## Hurricane Dean drenches Mexican mountains

By Richard Jacobsen  
The Associated Press

POZA RICA, Mexico — The remnants of Hurricane Dean dumped heavy rain across central Mexico yesterday, drenching mudslide-prone mountains as it pushed inland after slamming into the Gulf Coast as a Category 2 storm and killing four people.

Neighbors banded together to clear fallen trees with axes and machetes from the streets of this storm-lashed city, while workers began reconnecting downed power lines.

Mexican officials said yesterday that four people died after the storm struck the central Mexican coast. In Veracruz state, a man drowned trying to cross a swollen river and another was crushed to death by a rain-soaked wall. In neighboring Hidalgo state, a

woman and her 14-year-old son were killed when their shack collapsed on them in a mountain village.

Haiti also reported another death, bringing the hurricane's toll on the Caribbean to 21.

The National Hurricane Center in Miami downgraded Dean to a tropical depression late Wednesday but was keeping close watch yesterday to see whether it would re-form over the Pacific Ocean. With up to 20 inches of rain expected, authorities worried there could still be floods or mudslides.

"We're going to monitor it during the day," said Richard Pasch, senior hurricane specialist. "Perhaps it's emerging into the Pacific."

The mountain ranges near Mexico's coast are dotted with villages connected by precarious roads and susceptible to disaster.

A rainstorm in 1999 caused floods that killed at least 350 people.

Dean slammed into Mexico for the second time in as many days Wednesday with top sustained winds of 100 mph. Its center hit the tourism and fishing town of Tecolutla. The wide storm's hurricane-force winds lashed at a 60-mile stretch of the Mexican coast in Veracruz state.

"There's been a tremendous amount of damage across the state," Veracruz Gov. Fidel Herrera told the Televisa television network. In the vanilla-harvest heartland of Papantla, "a huge number of roofs were ripped off houses," he said.

As the storm pushed inland, Poza Rica, located 30 miles from Tecolutla, became the area's command center, and hundreds of people awoke in shelters there Thursday.

Maria Patricia Perez, a 40-year-



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**HURRICANE WRECKAGE:** A damaged building is seen at the beach of Tecolutla after the passing of Hurricane Dean in Veracruz, Mexico.

old merchant in Poza Rica, had the tin roof ripped completely off her house. "We were afraid it would knock down everything," she said.

Exhausted residents described helping one another battle Dean's

rains and winds.

Shopkeeper Joel Cruz's house was left without electricity or telephone lines after a 30-year-old pine tree gave way, but it could have been worse.

Amid the howling winds, his

neighbors helped him tie ropes around the tree and they were able to direct its fall away from his home. They also managed to move two cars away just before the giant tree came down.



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UAO sponsors the country singer on Friday on McDonald lawn. Food and novelties at 7 p.m. and music at 8 p.m.



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This saxophone ensemble performs at 8 p.m. at the Bryan Recital Hall in the Moore Musical Arts Center.

### TOLEDO AREA

#### 42nd German American Festival

Sponsored by the seven German and Swiss-American societies in Toledo, the festival takes place in Oregon, Ohio. The event is \$5 on Fri. and Sat. and \$3 on Sun.



#### Music Under the Stars

Taking place at the Toledo Zoo's Amphitheatre on Sunday at 7:30 p.m., come enjoy the Toledo Symphony's *Rodgers and Hammerstein*.

Power of Two concert.

### ELSEWHERE

#### West African Celebration

From Aug. 24-26, enjoy African culture through drum and dance classes, performances, African food and campfires. Located at Camp Avery Hand in Mansfield.

#### Lenawee County Heritage Festival

Located in Adrian, Michigan, this event is full of historical entertainment for all ages. The festival runs from the 25-26.

#### Resident Evil 4: Wii Edition

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### THEY SAID IT

**"You're about as useful as a one-legged man at an arse kicking contest."**

Rowan Atkinson

# School year's resolutions

By Sarah Moore  
Assistant Pulse Editor

- 1 Write down your goals, have a support group of friends or family hold you to them and reward yourself.
- 2 Make a priority list and timeline to help stay organized.
- 3 When something jeopardizes your resolution(s), don't give up.

During the first minute in January of each year, the glittering ball in Times Square drops as the mind frantically decides what to improve upon for the rest of the year. However, the final weeks in August are met with the buzz of the alarm clock as students attend new classes with hopeful resolutions to last them throughout the semester.

The question of why people make resolutions at the start of a new endeavor seem to have similar results, primarily for starting out fresh on a good note. Also, as Dr. Mark Krauthelm, associate director of the Counseling Center on campus says, it has to do with today's culture putting pressure on the idea that self-improvement is a good thing.

"I think self-improvement is good if you're growing and saying that you're trying and learning new things," he said. "Your college education should be to learn about yourself."

Among frequently attending class, studying and exercising more, the most common resolutions deal with grade point averages and time management.

Freshmen, such as student Joy Flechtner, have the greatest willpower to improve upon past experiences, because they have transitioned into a new environment free of peers knowing who they are.

"Most people go to college not knowing many, if any, people, so you can be whatever and whomever you want," she said. "I plan on studying a lot more than I did in high school, because at my high school I wasn't challenged enough to want to study."

However, students are not the only ones that make resolutions at the start of the school year.

Associate professor at The School of Teaching and Learning at The College of Education and Human Development, Lena Ballone Duran, continually has to balance many responsibilities at once.

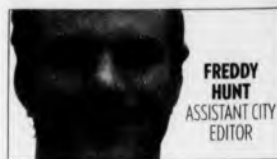
"We are not only teaching courses, but we are also researchers," she said. "We have scholarly work that we have to be doing as well as service to the University and the community. I think time management is the biggest factor at the beginning of the semester."

As far as students go, Dr. Krauthelm has seen students as-

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FREDDY HUNT  
ASSISTANT CITY EDITOR

## Peanut Butter Jelly Time Headline

Peanut, peanut butter ... and jelly.

We grew up singing about it and we grew up eating it. Crunchy or smooth, grape or strawberry, crust or no crust, the sweet and creamy blend of peanut butter and jelly has become an American staple.

But the reason I bring PB & J to your attention is not to pay tribute to its service in American society, but to recognize even the peanut butter and jelly sandwich has not escaped the high-speed trend.

Fast-food, high-speed Internet, videos on demand, overnight shipping, online banking and--the speed PB & J.

That's right, the snack that was made famous for its speedy prep time and simple assembly is getting even easier, thanks to new advances in PB & J technology.

### P.B. Slices

Put away that knife and say goodbye to jars. Peanut butter is now available in individual slices, like American cheese singles. P.B. Slices has figured out a way to make peanut butter not stick so consumers may simply put a slice on a piece of bread.

With the help of Smuckers Squeeze Jelly, a PB & J is easier than ever with no clean up at all. I tried to get my hands on some P.B. Slices, but unfortunately, they are only available in a few states on the West Coast. Perhaps the Midwest isn't ready for that kind of innovation, or maybe Californians, Texans and Utes are just lazy.

Uncrustables

Smuckers has individually-wrapped peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for those who really don't have a minute to spread with a knife. Smuckers has even waged war on the crust, hence the name, Uncrustables. But according to a survey conducted by Harris Interactive for the J.M. Smuckers company, 33 percent of children say "hold the crust," and 86 percent of adults prefer crustless.

Although these new products will save dish soap and a few seconds of our precious time, as we all know, haste makes waste. Instead of a quick rinse in the sink, thousands of tiny plastic cling wrappers will be trashed. Some may think its an environmental woah, but once you experience a toasted uncrustable, you will understand. Taste justifies everything.

## Where to find your next boyfriend/girlfriend

Colin Wilson  
He Said Columnist

Ah, women. They're hard enough to find as it is. Let alone at college.

Alas, you don't want to be spending too much time in your dorm room watching Cinemax—wait, you don't get it anymore?

Finding a nice lady to spend your time with isn't that hard. There are many ways to meet women.

Join a club. Whether it's a fraternity or the math club, there are plenty of opportunities to meet females who share your interests. Even if your interests are Halo and the Spanish Revolution.

Talk to women in class. Yea, your teacher may not appreciate it, but what's more important to you? The marvels of Geology 100 or the girl with Ugg boots and sweatpants on behind you?

Facebook. What a great networking site. You can find ladies who go to college to find their bridesmaids or live for the nights they'll never remember with the friends they'll never forget or perhaps live life by the philosophy that the only thing a girl should chase is a shot. Don't

worry it's not that weird to meet up with girls who you meet on the internet anymore. Especially if they're looking for "random play." What a statement.

Nothing says payback like posting up the opposing point guard's girlfriend. So what if he hit a 3-pointer in your face?

What not to do. Don't smother women. If you do that they'll ask for space, then make out with the guy who lives down the hall from you.

Don't give them too much space. Then they'll say you're not paying enough attention to them and they'll make out with the guy she studies Geology 100 with. He won her heart by teaching her all the things she was missing while you were flirting.

Basically women pretend they want attention if you don't give them a lot and vice versa. When a woman pulls an excuse like that it's usually because she's too immature to break up with you like a normal person. In their defense, guys do it, too.

Don't pretend you trust them if you don't. When a girl is going out for a "girl's night" just accept

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Emily Rippe  
She Said Columnist

## He said



It's the beginning of the school year, which means new professors, new classes, new friends and possibly new love interests. Indeed, the start of each semester poses the question for many of us: Will I find true love?

The answer relies on many factors. To determine whether this will be the kick start to the year of a rational, healthy relationship, you first need to evaluate your past experiences.

Let's begin with how many times you have thought of yourself as "being in love."

Perhaps you have never considered yourself to be in love with anyone you've dated. There's nothing wrong with that. Saying "I love you" can be one of the hardest phrases to muster out. Fear of rejection or commitment, as well as not being sure of your feelings, have probably been reasons why you have never known love.

So what do you do to change your loveless lifestyle? Always remember that it's okay to be cautious when entering a relationship, especially if you don't know the person very well.

## She said



However, do not let irrational emotions get in the way of letting the relationship develop. For example, maybe you have a phobia of getting hurt. Yes, it is plausible that after a few months, your partner might hurt you; they're only human after all. But not giving them the benefit of a doubt -- no, they will not cheat on you or do something equally horrifying -- will leave you stuck thinking about a bigger problem, "Did I just lose the love of my life?"

Maybe you have the opposite problem. If you can count your past lovers on more than two hands, it might be time to take a break from the dating game. I'm not telling you to give up, just try not to obsess over the idea of being in love. People who go out looking for love often end up finding some form of it in the wrong places.

How do I avoid this catastrophe, you ask? When you first meet someone (anyone) you find attractive, try to get to know them first. After a few months of talking and hanging out, you will be able to make a better judgment on how a relationship

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**SUPERBAD** A scene from the latest comedy featuring Seth Rogen.

"It wouldn't be correct to claim that the erratic events depicted in Superbad are what make it funny. What gives Superbad its comedic charm is the chemistry between the two main characters, Seth and Evan."

By Aaron Helfferich  
Reviewer

After the astounding success of Knocked Up, actor Seth Rogen seems to have made a name for himself. With its witty dialogue and cleverly designed sequences of realistic situations, Knocked Up gave Rogen the exposure and possibly the knowledge to go on and write his own original comedy.

Working with his longtime friend Evan Goldberg, Rogen wrote the script for Superbad even before his acting days began. With main characters appropriately named Seth and Evan, Superbad tells the story of three high school friends simply trying to fit in and get invited to

the popular party. Laden with outlandish happenings and rapid-fire dialogue, Superbad wastes no time in getting people laughing, but takes its time in developing its more respectful qualities.

It wouldn't be correct to claim that the erratic events depicted in Superbad are what make it funny. What gives Superbad its comedic charm is the chemistry between the two main characters, Seth and Evan. Played respectively by Jonah Hill and Michael Cera, Seth and Evan express every defining quality of a lasting high school friendship.

In its seemingly autobiographical tone, it's almost as if Rogen and Goldberg are sit-

ting next to you telling their life stories. Given how strongly the connection between the two main characters is depicted, the audience may then find themselves asking if events as outrageous as setting a police car ablaze actually happened. Therefore, we unload in laughter on seemingly insignificant moments, but are touched by the resulting impact they have on the characters.

What Rogen and Goldberg have invested in their characters is something unforeseen among what is expected. Hidden underneath all of the crude sex related humor lies a story driven by friendship, and a message against the themes that so commonly occur in teen

comedies.

Superbad is one of the most recent original comedies with in-your-face humor that dares to stand out among its genre. Rather than go with what's stereotypical or popular, Superbad goes with what's meaningful to its characters and insightful to its audience. Rogen and Goldberg deliver humor so cleverly placed within the thoughts of their own characters that it represents anyone's awkward adolescent fears and makes then memorably amusing to look back on. Move over American Pie, this is the new generation of the teen comedy.



## SCHOOL

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sociate themselves with the level of GPA they currently have, sometimes resulting in a low self-worth if the score does not reflect high success. He suggests being gentle with the goals being set instead of sticking to rigid resolutions.

For example, a student may plan to attend every class for the entirety of the year, but if one absence occurs, the person automatically assumes their goal is defeated instead of going back and trying again.

He stressed that instead of giving yourself a simple time slot in which to study, where distracting online websites such as Myspace or Facebook can fill all the time, to possibly reading a chapter, answering the questions, getting quizzed by a roommate and not quitting until an 80 percent on the quiz

is attained.

Ballone Duran primarily teaches senior students entering their professional year with multiple school semesters under their belts, yet they make school year resolutions just as any student does. Maintaining organization in order to have effective time management is key for these students, she said.

"You really notice at the beginning of the semester the desire to be organized and to start assuming a new role as a professional and not so much as an undergraduate student," she said.

Her students mainly keep large planners and calendars complete with highlighted markings of important meetings, classes and tests.

But as many people around the world have witnessed, resolutions tend to fall short of success early on. Perhaps this is because the set resolutions are unrealistic and are not within the person's control.

"Resolutions fail more often than not because people don't stick to their plans," Flechtner said. "You can say you want to go work out every day, but fitting it into your schedule and actually going is a different story."

One of the key factors to keeping a resolution lies with how the person recovers from situations that may jeopardize it. Krautheim compared this to watching highlights from professional golf tournaments in which the bad shots with great recovery outcomes are focused on the most.

"A professor I once had always said that you should strive for the A in every course," he said. "It kind of felt like if you didn't shoot for the high, you weren't going to get it. I think setting the bar high is good for you. The key is how you deal with disaster or when things don't go the way you hoped."

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that she's going to flirt with guys for free drinks all night. That brings me to my next point.

Never buy them drinks. They caught on long ago. I don't really need to elaborate on that one.

If a girl can out-drink you, she probably shouldn't be your girlfriend.

Try to avoid thoughts of getting that cute bartender's number. Unless you're a straight-up baller, she's just flirting with you and looking cute to get tips from you. The recreation center probably isn't a great place to meet girls. Unless she's the walk around the track and do 10 crunches type then she probably gets all sweaty.

Women are very self-conscious about being sweaty.

Women are very self-conscious about being sweaty. So basically just be smart out there kids.

## SHE SAID

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will pan out. The bottom line: don't go looking for love, let it find you. If you want this plan to work out, you should also avoid places that set up people to make poor decisions.

This brings us to the next factor in finding a relationship that works - good and bad places to meet potential mates.

Presumably, we are all at college to get a higher education learning experience. Going to class is a great way to achieve this goal. Going to class is also a surefire way to meet someone who shares the same goals and ambitions. For the record, I met my boyfriend of more than a year in a class that was required for me to obtain my degree in journalism.

Clubs and organizations are also great places to meet a boyfriend or girlfriend because again, they consist of people who share common beliefs and interests. For example, let's say you are a political activist who

decides to join the College Republicans. Wouldn't you be more interested in someone who is also politically informed and shares some of the same viewpoints, as opposed to someone who is apathetic, or even worse, gasp, a democrat?

Now it's time for the wrong place to look for love. So, I just finished telling you to meet people at places where you share a common interest. Many might think that drinking beer is a common interest, and trying to meet a partner at a bar is perfectly acceptable. As long as you are able to remember their name, stay on two feet and make sure that they can do the same. Not doing so will lead to a big explanation to your roommates, and many awkward moments when you happen to run into this person later. Good luck trying to make this one work out.

Understanding love is a difficult task, but knowing how to approach it and where to find it is a step in the right direction.

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### Wednesday, August 29

**Five Times August**  
**9:30pm • Bowen-Thompson Student Union, Multipurpose Room**

The one-man music project known as Five Times August has Tunes showcased on MTV's *Laguna Beach*, and the CW's *One Tree Hill*.



### Thursday, August 30

**Lee Camp, Comedian**  
**9pm • Bowen-Thompson Student Union, Lenhart Grand Ballroom**  
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## SIDELINES



## VOLLEYBALL

## Falcons open season in Flyer Classic

BG will head to Dayton this weekend for a tournament that opens their 2007 season. The Falcons will face Illinois, Dayton and IPFW in the tournament which starts today at 4:30 p.m.

## SPORTS BLOG

## Visit The BG News' sports blog

Make sure to check out the inside scoop on the Falcons from the reporters who cover them every day.

## SCHEDULE

## TODAY

## Volleyball:

vs. Illinois; 4:30 p.m. at Flyer Invitational

## Men's Soccer:

vs. Oakland; 5 p.m.

## TOMORROW

## Volleyball:

vs. Dayton; 11 a.m. at Flyer Invitational

## Volleyball:

vs. IPFW; 5 p.m. at Flyer Invitational

## OUR CALL

**1989** - Pete Rose is suspended from baseball for life for gambling.

**1984** - Pat Bradley set LPGA record for 9 holes with a 28 at Denver.

**1981** - American Charles Chapman is 1st black to swim English Channel.

**1979** - NFL fans (60,916) choose old Patriots logo over new.

**1972** - Gordie Howe and Jean Beliveau inducted in Hockey Hall of Fame.

**1919** - Cleveland pitcher Ray Caldwell is flattened by a bolt of lightning

**1908** - NY Giants scores shown on electric diamonds known as "Compton's Baseball Bulletin" at MSG.

## The List

The BG News presents a few reasons why Cleveland and Detroit are quickly becoming sports rivals.

**LeBron James:** In 2006 he almost beat the Pistons. In '07 he made sure to beat them. In Detroit he's public enemy No. 1.

## The Central Race:

A rollercoaster ride of a summer has led up to a great race to the playoffs by the Indians and Tigers.

**Who's worse:** Lions fans and Browns fans constantly argue over who stinks more.

## Betancourt's timing

**issues:** Mysteriously enough Detroit was where Rafael Betancourt had the stopwatch pulled out on him.

**Bill Laimbeer:** People still talk about the forearm to Mark Price today.

# One step closer

Sheehan has moved ahead in QB race, not officially No. 1 yet

By Colin Wilson  
Sports Editor

It's almost official. BG coach Gregg Brandon has done everything but name Tyler Sheehan the starting quarterback.

"Sheehan has pretty much separated himself," he said. "Tyler is throwing the ball better than any of [the other quarterbacks] right now."

Sheehan will try to restore a once-lethal offense this season. In 2006, the Falcons averaged 19.5 points and 169 passing yards a game. That is down from 33.8 points and 284 yards a game in 2005 and 44.3 points and 338 yards a game in 2004.

The Falcons also attempted just 347 passes in 2006 compared to 411 in 2005 and 472 in

2004.

Brandon did not rule out a late change, though.

"We're still installing things. As long as we're still putting in plays then we've got to give everyone an equal opportunity to run the offense," Brandon said.

The Falcons have their first game on Sept. 1 at Minnesota. On July 24 at MAC Media Day in Detroit, Brandon said he didn't need to name a starter until game day.

Now that his team is another year older, Brandon is excited about seeing them apply the experience they got last year.

"Those guys have a year under their belts and hopefully that will pay off this fall," he said.

The Falcons' young core of players took its lumps last sea-



**Tyler Sheehan**  
Sophomore  
quarterback will likely take the reins for the Falcons this season.

son.

"We got some big-time game experience and we got our noses bloodied," Brandon said. "Some of those guys didn't like it, they were pretty salty, especially the defensive guys."

"Having a year behind us, we've got to take advantage of that."

Even though the Falcons have three or four solid options for running back, the offense will still thrive on the pass.

"I want to throw it about 80 times a game," Brandon said with a laugh. "I'd love to throw it

**"Sheehan has pretty much separated himself ... Tyler is throwing the ball better than any of [the other quarterbacks] right now."**

Gregg Brandon | BG Coach

every down."

The running game has also proven itself to the coaches whereas the passing game is still being worked on. The lack of consistent playmakers in 2006 has the coaching staff hoping their receivers step up.

"We just need to find another go-to guy besides Partridge," Brandon said.

Partridge caught 55 of the 195 pass completions for BG last season and had 658 of the

2029 receiving yards in 10 games played.

A possible solution for that may be to use Chris Bullock and company as receiving weapons. Brandon acknowledged they have been lining the running backs up in the slot and having them catch passes out of the backfield, and it has gone well.

"They've really developed their receiving skills," Brandon said. "I'm anxious to see that in a live game."

## Breaking in the new turf



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**MAD DASH:** DaJon Booth(33) runs for an 80-yard touchdown in last night's game at Doyt L. Perry Stadium. St. John's defeated Findlay 40-27. Booth ran 25 times for 257 yards and a pair of touchdowns. The game was the first game played on the new surface at the stadium.



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**HIGH FIVE:** Chris Gomez congratulates Josh Barfield after he scored on an infield single in the 10th inning of yesterday's game.

## Tribe gets to Zumaya in 10th for win

By Larry Lage  
The Associated Press

DETROIT — Jim Leyland doesn't want the Detroit Tigers to stare at the standings.

That's probably a good idea because the slumping Tigers are slipping behind Cleveland in the AL Central and losing ground in the wild-card race.

Pinch-hitter Kenny Lofton's infield single off Joel Zumaya broke a scoreless tie with two outs in the 10th inning, and the Indians went on to beat Detroit

3-1 last Thursday.

Cleveland won the three-game series and lead the Tigers in the division by 2 1/2 games, the biggest cushion since it was ahead by three games on July 3.

"These types of series really test you," Indians manager Eric Wedge said. "I'm really pleased with the way our guys competed."

Cleveland's Jake Westbrook and Detroit's Nate Robertson kept the game scoreless through eight innings.

Then in a battle of the bull-

pens, the Indians did better — barely.

Down 3-0 in the 10th, the Tigers still had a chance to win a series for the first time since mid-July. Marcus Thames hit an RBI double with two outs off Joe Borowski, putting a pair of runners in scoring position, but Ivan Rodriguez popped up to end the game.

The Indians and Tigers are scheduled to play only one more series, a three-game set

## Boeckman likely to replace Smith as OSU quarterback

By Rusty Miller  
The Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio—Roughly half of the starters are missing from Ohio State's 12-1 season in 2006. Yet no one wants to talk about any of those vacancies except the gaping sinkhole at quarterback.

It's not every day that a team has to replace a Heisman Trophy winner, in this case Troy Smith.

In his stead, the Buckeyes will take a long look at three players. None is a lock to own the starting job, although Todd Boeckman has the inside track over Rob Schoenhof and Antonio Henton. Former blue-chip recruit Joe Bauserman, a vaunted prep quarterback who spent the past three years playing minor-league baseball, is in the Buckeyes camp and trying to make the transition from diamond to Horseshoe.

"Joe hasn't been here much, but I've been happy with the way he throws the football and he's innately bright about the game," Ohio State coach Jim Tressel said. "The

other three have shown that they have carryover from the spring, but we always talk about decision-making. I can make decisions in shorts. Now when the silver helmets are flying at me, I probably wouldn't do very well. That's what we're anxious to see."

So all four are getting a crash course in replacing Smith. The replacements combined to complete a grand total of three passes last year (Boeckman 2, Schoenhof 1).

Smith passed for 2,542 yards and 30 touchdowns; the holdovers had 24 yards and zero scores.

"It's hard to replace a Troy Smith. By awards, he's the best QB in Big Ten history because he's the only one to ever win the Heisman," offensive tackle Kirk Barton said.

Jim Bollman, the Buckeyes offensive coordinator and line coach, believes that even though there aren't many starters back there are still a lot of candidates everywhere on offense who played quite a bit.



# USA expects bigger crowds for games

By Brian Mahoney  
The Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Kobe Bryant regards Las Vegas as Lakers country. So where were all his fans on opening night of the FIBA Americas tournament?

Not at the Thomas & Mack Center, where the Americans debuted before a crowd that was less than half what they drew last month for a scrimmage game.

The United States was back on the court Thursday night against the U.S. Virgin Islands, hoping to see a few more faces in an arena that was roughly two-thirds empty for the opener.

"I think as the scene picks up a little bit, maybe the crowds will start picking up a little bit, too," Bryant said.

The Americans beat Venezuela 112-69 on Wednesday night before an announced crowd of 6,537. That couldn't have been the home-court advantage USA Basketball was hoping for when it won the right to bring the regional Olympic qualifier to the States.

"I thought it was going to be more packed," Carmelo Anthony said. "I thought it was going to be a sellout crowd, but I'm pretty sure they'll get that throughout the tournament."

Venezuela was originally slated to be the home team as the host country. But when the Venezuelans missed their payment deadline, FIBA Americas reopened the bidding. The United States, by then having been forced to qualify for the Olympics after not winning the world championships, decided to bid and beat San Juan, Puerto Rico by committing to pay FIBA Americas more than \$3 million.

And yet, it still felt a bit like a road game.

"I almost forgot we were in the United States for a minute, we're so used to playing overseas in these kinds of tournaments," Anthony said.

The quiet atmosphere may have contributed to the slow start for the Americans, who

didn't pull away until the second quarter.

Las Vegas has a large basketball fan base, but maybe it's already seen enough this year. The city hosted the NBA's All-Star festivities in February. Greg Oden and Kevin Durant made their first pro appearances here in summer league, and the U.S. team closed its minicamp last month at Thomas & Mack by drawing 15,132 fans for an intrasquad game.

Bryant made the game-winning shot that night, continuing a big year in Vegas that saw him win MVP honors at the All-Star game. He was one of the few players that weekend to say he was against the city getting an NBA team, joking that the Lakers, who regularly make preseason appearances here, already have all their fans.

"This is like home away from home," he said after Wednesday's game. "We come here so much and the fans don't have a team here, so they're all Lakers fans and we had the opportunity to be with each other since my first year in the NBA."

Perhaps fans just didn't feel the need to rush to see the U.S. team, knowing they have plenty of time thanks to the longer-than-necessary tournament format. Assuming the Americans reach the championship game, they will have played 10 games in 12 days.

Crowds were tiny at the other three games on opening day, with few seats in the top level of the 18,000-seat arena being occupied. The UNLV ticket office said there are still plenty of tickets available for every day of the tournament, which ends Sept. 2.

U.S. coach Mike Krzyzewski wasn't going to complain about the crowd. After receiving some scattered boos during games here the past two years — likely stemming from Duke's victory over unbeaten UNLV in the 1991 Final Four — he'll take whatever support he can get.

"They were a very vocal and appreciative



ISAAC BREKKEN | AP PHOTO

**WHAM WITH THE RIGHT HAND:** Team USA's LeBron James dunks versus Venezuela during their FIBA Americas Championship basketball game at the Thomas & Mack Center in Las Vegas on Wednesday.

crowd. I think because there are four games in and 10 games in 12 days and it's summer," he said. "We appreciate the fan support and it was a televised game and that has something to do with it I'm sure. I think the fans were very appreciative of both teams."

## THE BG NEWS SUDOKU

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**POSITION BATTLE:** Ohio State quarterbacks Todd Boeckman (17) Joe Bauserman (14) and Rob Schoenholtz (11) walk off the field during photo day Thursday, Aug. 9.

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Well, except for one position.

"I feel fortunate that a lot of these guys have got their feet wet before," Bollman said. "Not all of them — especially everybody's concerned about that with the quarterbacks — but I think everywhere else other than that position the people who are fighting for the jobs have had some substantial game time."

Boeckman, a 6-foot-5, 235-pound junior, and Schoenholtz, a 6-6, 240 sophomore, are cut from the same mold: big, strong, not that mobile. Henton, a red-shirt freshman, is a better runner than the other two and not all that dissimilar physically from Smith.

Smith was considered a runner when he first came to Ohio State, but soon impressed the coaching staff with his powerful and accurate right arm. In time, he restrained his inclination to break from the pocket to run and became a quality passer.

Boeckman, from the same small Western Ohio high school (St. Henry) that sent Bobby Hoving to the Buckeyes and

on to the NFL, relishes his first chance at being a starter.

"It's nice knowing there's not somebody ahead of you already, an established starter," he said. "It's definitely going to be a little bit different. It's going to be a change. I think all of us are looking forward to it and we're going to have a lot of fun with it."

Tressell, Bollman and the rest of the Ohio State staff are keeping a close eye on the competition.

"I don't worry about their arms. In fact, sometimes I worry a little bit about them having so much confidence in being able to make all those throws that that'll be the quickest way to the bench, to make some of the wrong throws," Tressell said. "But I'm confident that if they'll develop in decision-making."

Boeckman said the quarterbacks are no different from anyone else answering those employment ads for positions in the Ohio State starting lineup.

"These guys are a bunch of young players, a lot of guys who haven't had much of an opportunity to go out here and play," he said. "It's been hard for them to show their talents. Hopefully, we'll go out there and do what we know how to do."

## TRIBE

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Sept. 17-19 in Cleveland. With Seattle and New York playing well in the wild-card race, they might be competing for only one spot in the postseason.

"I don't really worry about that," Leyland said. "The issue is to win games."

"If you sit around and stare at the standings and don't do anything about it, you've got problems."

The Tigers clearly have problems.

Since they had the best record in the majors and a two-game lead in the division on July 21, they are 10-22 and have lost five of their last six.

"We get the pitching one night, and we don't get the hitting. Then, we have the hitting and not the pitching," Curtis Granderson said. "We just have to put it together."

"Nate pitched well and all we had to do was score one run."

Westbrook and three relievers didn't let Detroit score until it was too late.

Seeming to turn his season around, Westbrook turned in another strong performance. He allowed five hits and two walks — one intentional — over eight innings. He is 3-1 with a 1.50 ERA in August after start-

ing the season 1-6.

Robertson gave up four hits and no walks in a season-high 82-3 innings.

"Robertson was as good as we've seen him and he's been good against us a few times. He took it to another level," Wedge said. "Jake was right there with him against that lineup and in their backyard."

A sold-out crowd gave Robertson a standing ovation as he walked to the dugout after giving up a double to Grady Sizemore.

Zumaya (1-2) left Sizemore stranded, but gave up a lead-off double to Victor Martinez and intentionally walked Travis Hafner in the 10th.

He had a shot at getting a key double play, but Ryan Garko beat the relay throw. After Johnny Peralta drew a four-pitch walk, Franklin Gutierrez struck out.

Lofton batted for Jason Michaels and got the go-ahead hit. Chris Gomez followed with a two-run single.

"The killer was the Gomez hit," Leyland said.

Zumaya made his second appearance in three days since coming off the disabled list after a three-month absence because of a ruptured tendon in his right middle finger.

"He's not going to strike out everyone and throw 100 every time," Leyland said. "I'm not dis-



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**DEALIN':** Cleveland Indians pitcher Jake Westbrook throws against the Detroit Tigers in the fifth inning in Detroit yesterday.

appointed in him at all. I'm disappointed that we just couldn't get a big hit."

Borowski got his 36th save in 41 chances. He retired the first two Tigers in the 10th before Magglio Ordonez doubled, Carlos Guillen bunted for a single and Thames doubled.

Rafael Perez (1-1) got the win, his first in the majors. He struck out the only batter he faced, fanning Granderson after the Tigers put two on with two outs in the ninth against Rafael Betancourt.

Both teams made slick plays defensively, and the best per perhaps came in the fifth inning with Detroit's Brandon Inge on second with one out. Gutierrez sprinted to catch a liner against the right-field wall, and threw

to second for an inning-ending double play.

"I made a mistake with a cutter, but he made a great catch," Westbrook said. "It ended up being a big play."

Notes: @ Detroit traded OF Craig Monroe and cash to the Chicago Cubs for a player to be named by Oct. 15. ... The Tigers plan to option RHP Zach Miner to Triple-A Toledo to make room for LHP Andrew Miller, who will start tonight against Roger Clemens and the New York Yankees. ... Westbrook has lasted at least seven innings in five of his last six starts. ... Tigers DH Gary Sheffield (shoulder) missed his second straight game and doesn't plan on facing one of his former teams, the Yankees.

## Sabbatini leads playoff at 8-under over Beem, Choi

By Doug Ferguson  
The Associated Press

HARRISON, N.Y. — The playoffs arrived on the PGA Tour and delivered an ideal first-round leader in Rory Sabbatini, a brash South African who loves the idea of going head-to-head and is not afraid to speak highly of his chances no matter who's in his way.

Too bad Tiger Woods wasn't

around Thursday at The Barclays.

Sabbatini, whose best year in golf has been highlighted by barbs and challenges directed at the world's No. 1 player, attacked a soft Westchester Country Club on his way to an 8-under 63 for a one-shot lead over Rich Beem and K.J. Choi.

The Barclays is the first of four tournaments that comprise the PGA Tour Playoffs,

a new concept to golf aimed at rewarding those who play their best golf at the end of the year.

About the only thing that resembled real playoffs was that some of the top players brought their top games.

Even though Sabbatini is known for saying Woods looked as "beatable as ever," he has tried to back up his words with strong play. A winner at

Colonial, he came into these playoffs at No. 13 in the world and No. 6 in the playoff standings.

"I would say I'm getting close to getting to the top level," Sabbatini said. "I keep opening the door and keep slamming it on my foot every time I step through. It's just a matter of time before I break through and get to that top level. That's the way I look at it."

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**ELDERLY EXERCISE:** Good health has definite advantages in the pleasures of old age.

## New study penetrates sexual stereotypes

Research overturns many beliefs about the lives of the elderly

By Marilynn Marchione  
The Associated Press

An unprecedented study of sex and seniors finds that many older people are surprisingly frisky — willing to do, and talk about, intimate acts that would make their grandchildren blush.

That may be too much information for some folks.

But it comes from the most comprehensive sex survey ever done among 57- to 85-year-olds in the United States. Sex and interest in it do fall off when people are in their 70s, but more than a quarter of those up to age 85 reported having sex in the previous year.

And the drop-off has a lot to do with health or lack of a partner, especially for women, the survey found.

The federally funded study, done by respected sci-

entists and published in yesterday's New England Journal of Medicine, overturns some stereotypical notions that physical pleasure is just a young person's game.

"Most people assume that people stop doing it after some vague age," said sex researcher Edward Laumann of the University of Chicago.

However, more than half of those aged 57 to 75 said they gave or received oral sex, as did about a third of 75- to 85-year-olds.

"Bravo that the New England Journal of Medicine is publishing something like that. It's about time," said Ruth Westheimer, better known as sexpert Dr. Ruth, who has long counseled seniors on sex.

The survey involved two-hour face-to-face interviews with 3,005 men and women around the country. Researchers also took blood, saliva and other

samples that will tell about hormone levels, sex-related infections and other health issues in future reports. They even tested how well seniors could see, taste, hear and smell — things that affect being able to have and enjoy sex.

Some results:

- Sex with a partner in the previous year was reported by 73 percent of people ages 57 to 64; 53 percent of those ages 64 to 75, and 26 percent of people 75 to 85. Of those who were active, most said they did it two to three times a month or more.

- Women at all ages were less likely to be sexually active than men. But they also lacked partners; far more were widowed.

- People whose health was excellent or very good were nearly twice as likely to be sexually active as those in poor or fair health.

- Half of people having sex

reported at least one related problem. Most common in men was erection trouble (37 percent); in women, low desire (43 percent), vaginal dryness (39 percent) and inability to have an orgasm (34 percent).

- One out of seven men used Viagra or other substances to improve sex.

- Only 22 percent of women and 38 percent of men had discussed sex with a doctor since age 50.

The survey had a remarkable 75 percent response rate. Only 2 percent to 7 percent did not answer questions about sexual activities or problems, although a higher percentage declined to reveal how often they masturbate.

Why do this research? Sex is an important indicator of health, said Georgeanne Patmios of the National Institute on Aging, the study's main funder.

## Snake bites Colorado State University student

By Nikki Cristello  
U-Wire

Life got real for one Colorado State University student Wednesday when a snake bit her in the hand during LIFE class.

At 2 p.m. a bull snake made its way into Clark A101 — one of the largest lecture halls on campus — and caused an uproar in the classroom, where some students hopped on top of their chairs.

The non-poisonous snake bit one student, whose name has not been released.

CSU Instructor Stu Field was minutes into his lecture when students noticed the snake slithering near the west doors of the classroom.

"Snakes, as they often do, wander around campus and sometimes find classrooms, I guess," Field said.

The sole student bitten, Field said, was attempting to get the snake under control.

"She is OK," Field said. "It was just a scratch on her hand. I insisted she go to have it looked at."

He described the reptile as a bull snake of decent size.

Brittanny Bellefeuille, a freshman chemical engineering major, said she remembered the scene in the classroom vividly.

"Class had just started and

then one girl stood on her chair and started screaming. Then every girl around it started screaming and all the girls stood on their chairs," Bellefeuille said. "Everyone else was confused until the word spread. Then everyone stood on their chairs to see what was going on."

Field told the class to evacuate the room, something he said most students failed to do. He did not want the snake to feel threatened by being cornered, he said, even though bull snakes are generally not aggressive.

In an e-mail, Field said: "There seems to be some dispute over the size of the snake, which I find amusing. Students are saying anywhere from 1-3 feet ... I would say 2.5-3 feet perhaps."

A student in the class was worried the snake would have been killed if Facilities Management removed the snake. The student, a male, reportedly put the snake in his backpack and left class to set it free.

Dell Rae Moellenberg, a spokesperson for CSU, said that generally, unless an animal is dangerous, or if there are unusual circumstances, stray, wild animals are released back into the wild.

This, she said, is what happens when birds, for example, fly into buildings through windows or doors.



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**FLOOD:** A view of downtown Main Street in Findlay, Ohio is shown, one day after heavy flooding Thursday afternoon

## Unexpected flood brings chaos to Findlay

By John Seewer  
The Associated Press

FINDLAY — Peeking into her waterlogged basement, Gail Leatherman didn't break down until she saw a soggy photo of her and her husband, taken for their 17th wedding anniversary.

She salvaged the picture, but not her treasured Christmas decorations. Next door, her son lost all of his 1-year-old boy's winter clothes.

And that wasn't the worst of it.

"A year ago, our insurer told us we could drop our flood insurance," she said. "So we did."

Water from the worst flood in nearly a century in this north-west Ohio city began receding yesterday, as it did elsewhere in the Midwest, allowing some of the more than 1,000 homeowners who had been displaced to get a look at the soaked photo albums, boxes of clothes and furniture in their basements.

With the flooding and more storms moving through, the death toll across the Upper Midwest and from the remnants of Tropical Storm Erin that swept Texas, Oklahoma and Missouri over the past week also rose to at least 26. In one Ohio county alone, the tally of damaged homes was more than 700.

The weather wasn't through with the region, however, as funnel clouds were spotted in the suburbs west of Chicago and storms lashed Iowa and

Minnesota.

In Oklahoma City, authorities searched a muddy, swollen lake for a 17-year-old caught in a current Wednesday when he and other members of his high school cross-country team tried to swim across a flooded trail.

Storms rattled and soaked northern and west-central Illinois, knocking down trees and damaging buildings and adding to the rising water in several rivers, which crews rushed to sandbag.

## Senator urges president to bring troops home

By Anne Flaherty  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Sen. John Warner, a prominent Republican on military affairs, urged President Bush yesterday to start bringing some troops home from Iraq by Christmas.

Such a move would send a powerful warning to the Baghdad government that time is running out, said Warner, R-Va.

Warner said the president next month should announce the withdrawal of a certain number of troops to send a "sharp and clear message throughout the region and the United States" that the commitment in Iraq is not open ended.

**Sen. John Warner**  
Prominent Republican on military affairs

"We simply cannot as a nation stand and continue to put our troops at continuous risk of loss of life and limb without beginning to take some decisive action," he told reporters after a White House meeting with Bush's top aides.

In the congressional debate, Republicans so far have shown a willingness to back Bush on the politically unpopular war.

But they say they want to see progress by September, when the top U.S. commander, Gen. David Petraeus, delivers his assessment of the war.

Warner's suggestion of initiating troop withdrawals to induce political pressure puts him more in line with Democrats than with Bush, who says conditions on the ground should dictate force levels.

Warner is a former Navy secretary and one-time chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee; he is now the committee's second-ranking Republican.

A White House spokesman, Gordon Johndroe, declined to say whether Bush might consider

Warner's suggestion.

Asked whether Bush would leave the door open to setting a timetable, Johndroe said: "I don't think the president feels any differently about setting a specific timetable for withdrawal. I just think it's important that we wait right now to hear from our commanders on the ground about the way ahead."

Warner visited Iraq this month with Democratic Sen. Carl Levin of Michigan, the committee chairman. The Virginia Republican said he would not support Democratic legislation championed by Levin that would call for Bush to bring troops home by a certain date.

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# Another Salem witch trial

SALEM, Mass. (AP) — A self-proclaimed high priestess of Salem witches and a second person were accused of tossing raccoon parts on the doorsteps of businesses, allegedly as part of a Wiccan community feud.

Sharon Graham, 46, and a fellow Wiccan, Frederick Purtz, 22, pleaded not guilty Wednesday to charges of littering and malicious destruction of property. Graham also was charged with intimidating a witness.

They were accused of putting a raccoon head and entrails on the doorsteps of Angelica of the Angels and the Goddess' Treasure Chest in May.

The historic seaport, famous for holding witch trials in the 17th century, has an active Wiccan community and thriving witch-related tourism.

**"...the tossing of raccoon entrails may be a 'bastardization' of Wiccan practice..."**

David Gavegnano, a lawyer for Graham, and Sean Wynne, a lawyer for Purtz, both denied that their clients had anything to do with the incident. They also argued that at any rate, the malicious destruction charge was not valid because the storefronts weren't permanently damaged.

A witness, Richard Watson, told police he accompanied Graham, Purtz and other people when they put the raccoon

remains on the doorsteps. He said Graham hoped to frame a Wiccan businessman who had fired Graham from a psychic telephone business last spring.

Watson also said Graham had a disagreement with the owners of the two targeted businesses over proposed regulations that would limit the number of psychics who come to the city during the Halloween season. He said he was told the group had found the raccoon dead.

Gavegnano declined to comment on Watson's accusations yesterday. Wynne told The Boston Herald said there were likely "internal issues within the Wiccan community," but the tossing of raccoon entrails may be a "bastardization" of Wiccan practice because the religion doesn't condone harming others.

## PERKS

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to maintain a 3.0 GPA and participate in all cultural and social activities.

For more information, look for La Comunidad at the upcoming Campusfest.

For students who love the essence of creativity there is the Arts village, located in Compton in the Kreisler Quads. This community focuses on all aspects of art, including dance, theater, music and creative writing, said Gordon Ricketts, Arts Village director.

"Here in the Arts Village we are an organic community in the sense that we empower students to come up with their own

ideas," Ricketts said. "We support academics, but we also provide a good environment."

Predominantly freshmen and sophomores reside in the community, but students of any year are welcome to participate.

Art Community resident, Katie Wolfe, freshman, said she loves being surrounded by similar interests and finding her own unique niche.

Students of all majors can join and become involved in the community as long as a few requirements are fulfilled. While no set GPA is required, the community does follow basic University acceptance standards. In addition, each semester, students are required to take an Arts Village Core general course and an In-Action

course. An additional fee of \$150 dollars is also required to cover the costs of the living space and much-enjoyed common area, open 24 hours. Visiting artists, concerts and workshops are also covered under these costs.

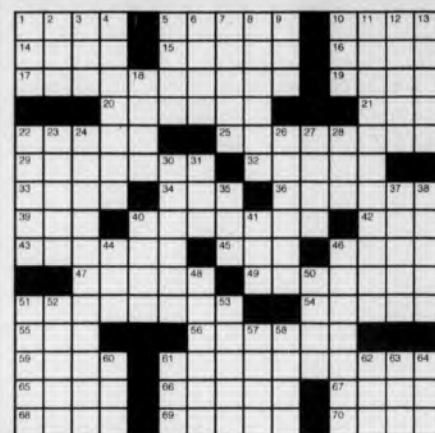
Events planned for the Arts Community this semester include a fall break trip to New York City, a performance with a music ensemble and a performance bake-off. The bake-off is an event where participants get 72 hours to come up with a creative performance piece that follows a set theme.

"Basically, this community just requires students to have a desire for art. We're not a 'Finding Nemo,' we're just a community with something for everyone," Ricketts said.

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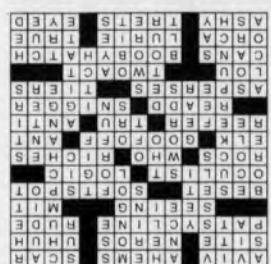
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